GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
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REJECTION OF WHEAT CONSIGNMENT
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether after rejecting several consignment of Indian wheat, Iraq has finally accepted the consignment of wheat recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of consignment rejected by the Iraq and reasons therefor;

(d) the quantum of wheat export orders received by Indian firms from abroad at present and number out of them met out so far; and

(e) the steps taken or being taken by the Government to export more wheat to foreign countries after keeping considering the grounds of rejection of Indian wheat abroad?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SU MAHARIA)

(a),(b)&(c): State Trading Corporations has reported that one consignment of 22,000 MTs of Indian wheat lifted from the Central Pool has been accepted by the Grain Board of Iraq. No recent case of rejection of Indian wheat has been reported.

(d): India has exported wheat worth Rs.21.35 crores and Rs.43.03 crores during the years2000-2001 & 2001-2002 respectively to Iraq as per published figures of Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence & Statistics.

(e): The exporters can choose the stocks in the Central Pool available over and above, the local PDS/Welfare schemes requirement.